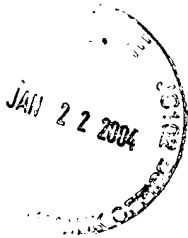


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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Sir:

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:

- I. ☒ **Prior to abandonment of the application**
- ii. ☐ **Payment of the issue fee**
 - ☐ Prior to payment of issue fee.
 - ☐ Issue fee has been paid but a petition under §1.313 has been granted
- iii. ☐ **Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences**
 - ☐ A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals &

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Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed

- iv. ☐ Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §114, OR
☐ Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §146
☐ Prior to the filing of such appeal or commencement of civil action
☐ Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated

ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is/are:

- ☒ **A Petition for Extension of Time for one (1) month.**
☒ **Please enter the unentered Amendment mailed on December 18, 2003.**
☐ Please enter the enclosed PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT.
☐ An Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. §1.98) with PTO-1449 and Five (5) references.
☐ New arguments
☐ New evidence in support of patentability
☐ Other:

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. §1.17(e))

4. ☒ Filing fee has been calculated as shown below after entering the previous amendment and the preliminary amendment (other than small entity):

| For | Claims Remaining After Amendment | Highest Number Previously Paid For | Present Extra | x Rate | Additional Fees |
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| Indep. Claim | 3 | -3 | =0 | x \$ 86 | \$ 0.00 |
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| Total | | | | | \$770.00 |

5. ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2179 in the amount of \$ 770.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2179 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.25. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
6. ☐ This application, as amended, names as inventors:
☐ the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.
☐ fewer than the inventors previously designated and a statement accompanies this request for the deletion of the name or names of the person or persons who are not inventors of the invention now being claimed.
☐ a person not named previously as an inventor and a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.48 is/has separately: ☐ being filed ☐ been filed
7. ☐ A request for deferral of examination accompanies this Request for Continued Examination.

Date: 22 Jan 04

Respectfully submitted,



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